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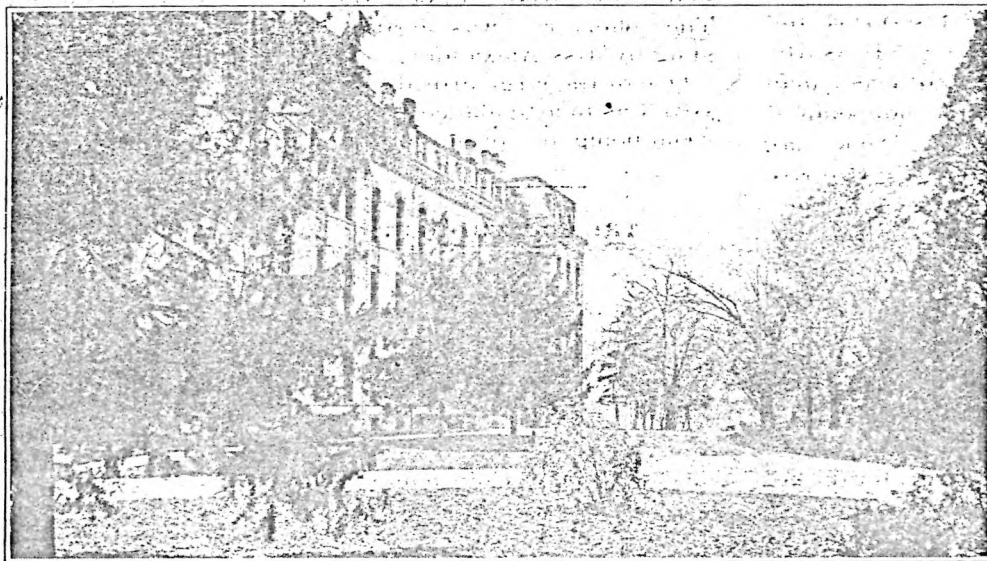
## The Howard College Dramatic Club

**T**HE Howard College Dramatic Club, organized last year for the purpose of awakening an interest along dramatic lines, among the students of the School of Liberal Arts, is about to begin its work for the present school year. It is the intention of the Club to present

set by the Club, the students who participate in the play this year will be selected by reading for parts. By this method we hope to secure those students most talented along dramatic lines; those who are interested and will be willing to give their sparetime and even to sacrifice a few other pleasures to make this work a success. The date set for the reading of parts is SATURDAY

testants who in their minds are best fitted to fill the places. In this the law of "the survival of the fittest" is the predominant feature. Another qualification for membership is the payment of the membership fee which is only fifty cents.

Those desiring to take part are advised to read the entire play and select the part for which they would like to try. After a few



Avenue Leading to Entrance from Seventh Street along Howard Place

each year one of the classic plays of some well known playwright of established fame. For the work of directing the play this year, the services of Prof. B. G. Brawley have been secured. After a careful consideration of the whole field of plays by the Director, the Manager, and a committee appointed from the participants in last year's play, the conclusion was reached that the play best suited for this year's presentation is Shakespeare's classic comedy, "THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR."

In keeping with the precedent

EVENING, NOVEMBER 19, AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, in the Rankin Memorial Chapel. The judges for the occasion will be selected from the University faculty; and probably some persons from without who have had professional training along dramatic lines will be invited to act as judges also.

Any student in the school of Liberal Arts taking one of the four year's courses is eligible to try for a part. In the selection of the participants for the play no attention is paid to class distinctions. The judges are directed to assign the parts to those con-

days Professor Brawley will post, in the Main Building, the parts to which they should give special attention. It is the desire of the director and manager that a great number of the students will show an interest in this play this year by coming out next Saturday evening and trying for parts. Aside from contestants for this year's play and the judges, only those students will be admitted to this meeting who participated in last year's play. Let us have a warm contest next Saturday evening.

WM. GILBERT, Manager

**SAVING--ITS MODERN MEANING**

"By doing good with his money a man, as it were, stamps the image of God upon it and makes it pass current for the merchandise of Heaven."

It is good to have money and the things that money can buy, but the hoarding of money is indeed an evil. Saving may take the form of merely setting aside or storing up either money or commodities in such a way that they remain idle. This is hoarding and is an evil. Money is coined and put into circulation for the purpose of exchange, it is the medium of exchange. Nowadays, people save wealth by investing it in some productive enterprise. Saving then has become to mean, spending, but for the future and not for the present. It is the first economic duty of every man to make himself an independent member of society. "Make hay while the sun shines." Prepare for sickness, death, lack of employment, conflagration and the like by saving--the prodigious investing of money.--C. H. G.

**ALPHA PHI**

On account of lack of heat in the Library Hall, the weekly meeting of the Alpha Phi Literary society was held in Miner Hall last week. The program was of the usual high order and an especially fine paper by Mr. Arthur Tunnell led Mr. Gregory to suggest that the literary efforts, the productions of Alpha Phi members be preserved, for the sewing as a basis for a literary magazine edited by the students.

We think this suggestion a good one and while it may be a little ahead of the program, yet other colleges have found such publications helpful and Howard should prepare in the near future to produce and maintain a magazine worthy of her growing reputation.

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**VESPER SERVICE**

The address at the Vesper Services last Sunday was delivered by Mr. Lehman, Field Secretary of the Y. P. S. C. E. He spoke on the watch words of the Y. P. S. C. E., "Consecration," "Enthusiasm," and "Service." His talk was clear, practical, enthusiastic and inspiring. He strengthened it by fitting illustrations of each watch word. Dr. Wickoff, Field Secretary of the Church Building Committee of the Congregational Church, was present on the rostrum and led us in the invocation. The singing was of the usual high order, the choir singing, by special request, Coleridge Taylor's "By the Waters of Babylon." The solo part was taken by Miss Mabel Diggs. The offertory was beautifully sung by Miss Alexander.

One of the large crowds of the year was in attendance, standing room being at a premium.

**THE COUNCIL MEETS**

The Council of Upper Classmen held a most interesting meeting last Tuesday night in Library Hall. It was a regular meeting which had been postponed from the previous Tuesday night. Many interesting reports were made by the various committees and officers. The reports showed plainly that the watch word of the administration is "Energetic Excellence." The President read communications from persons interested in the work of the Council and offering prizes to be awarded by the Council. There were four prizes of five dollars each.

This year bids fair to be a banner year in the history of the Council. Many new men joined and through the activities of the Enrollment Committee, it is expected that many more will join. On the night of December second the Council will hold its first public lecture of the year in the Rankin Memorial Chapel. Prof. William H. Hart of the Law School will speak on "The Law Eternal". All are invited to hear this lecture.

**PROF. JOINER AND MR. CARTER  
INDORSED**

We are glad to learn that at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University, Prof. William Joiner, recently of our faculty, was unanimously indorsed as an educator of first rank.

Mr. Theodore Carter, of the class of 1910, Commercial College was also permanently appointed as Assistant Secretary of the University.

We are glad to know that Prof. Joiner is in position, and is willing to give our young colored graduates positions of dignity and responsibility for which they are fitted. We feel sure that Mr. Carter will make good.

**AN OPEN LETTER**

67 Union St., Buffalo, N. Y.  
Nov. 7, 1910.

My Dear Professor Miller: As a token of my appreciation for Dear Old Howard University for what she has done for me, and as an incentive for study in some one branch, I am desirous of establishing a prize for seniors. Small though it will be now, yet I hope that in the near future it will be increased.

We must have them to keep up the progressive movement. I would like for it to be for excellency in chemistry or political science, two of my favorite studies.

You with the respective "Profs." may settle that.

I congratulate you upon your one hundred sixty-seven freshmen. That sounds good.

Any suggestions will be kindly received.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

I am

Yours truly,

W. R. WILSON

P. S.--I notice in the Journal the probability of forming a Collegiate Alumni. I like that idea.

**AN EVENING ENTERTAINMENT.**

A social was given for the members of the Teacher's College, Saturday Evening, Oct. 22, at the residence of the Dean, Dr. L. B. Moore.

Mirth and jollity held sway among the many students present throughout the splendidly arranged entertainment. In fact every student enjoyed himself.

As the members came to the house the girls were sent upstairs and the boys were kept down stairs. The gentlemen could not understand this, but they found out later, to their infinite surprise and joy.

While the girls were upstairs, the boys were introduced to one another by a very unique method. The one to be introduced went around to the rest repeating his name while those whom he approached gave him their names.

After the introduction some of the gentlemen and several of the ladies who remained downstairs rendered selections on the piano. When all of the musical talent was apparently exhausted, Dr. Moore called for quotations in English, French or German. The boys responded to the roll call in alphabetical order. I say boys because the constituency at this time, with the exception of three or four girls who held their own very nicely were "College" boys with "College" enthusiasm. Also at this time Dr. Moore read a very philosophical and pathetic poem on the immortality of the soul. It was a good thing that the girls were still upstairs because doubtless tears would have trickled down their pearly cheeks. If this had happened, some of the more tender-hearted young men might have followed the example of the young ladies. Then there would have been a diminution in the general atmosphere of happiness.

The next on the programme was the announcement of the appearance of the ladies skillfully disguised as ghosts. The ghosts could not be touched nor were they allowed to talk. If a young man thought that he recognized a ghost, he took down the number on the slip which she carried in her hand and placed the number on his paper with the name that he guessed. The ghosts walked to and fro through the rooms making a groaning sound for quite a while. You can imagine the fun. It was very hard to guess a young lady for there were very few signs from which to make deductions. At last the ghosts were unmasked by Mrs. Moore and their names called out according to the numbers which they carried. The gentleman who had down the largest number of correct names with the corresponding numbers won the prize. Much laughter was created by the unmasking on account of the funny mis-

takes. Some of the girls were not recognized. These also received prizes.

After this feature the students were served with refreshments. Here the fun was started again by the introduction of a tub of water containing pretty red apples. Every one who wished an apple had to make a hero of himself by getting an apple exclusively with his mouth. It looks very easy to get an apple out of a tub of water with the mouth but just try it especially a big one. The getting of an apple called for a great deal of face washing and strangling which could not be tolerated by many.

Now it was eleven o'clock and the girls were marshalled together by the chaperons and conducted to Miner Hall. The chaperons were graciously assisted by many gallant young men.

The entertainment under the direction of Dr. L. B. Moore, the Samuel Johnson of the occasion, proved to be of great aspiration as well as of unspeakable merriment. —C. L. JOHNSON

**THE CHRISTIAN STUDENTS AT WORK**

The Christian religion is a life, Christ brought us a life, an inspiration.

There is no manlier a man than a Christian, because he is always doing something. The christianity of the college student should be the christianity of deeds not words. Do we ever stop to think what will be the influence of your lives upon the lives of others? Will it be for good or for evil? What can we give to our fellow students, that we might improve them, what can we do for them to lead them all right?

The religion of the college man ought be the religion to save others. There is no greater privilege than the opportunity to serve. It is our duty as Christian students to find a way to the hearts of our less fortunate fellow students, yea, make a way to their hearts. Opportunities are daily occurring for the utterance of a thought, by which our life is revealed, and thus influence others. We should not merely think upon the things that are honest, pure, lovely, and of good report, we are to stand up for them and ever fight for them. Join in and make

every plan formidable for good. "The religion that produces no sunshine is all moonshine."

The Christian student should control himself; he should be master of himself. He *should be* a man in whom all parts are subordinate to the chief part, the spiritual self. To lead others to do right our lives must be honest upright and pure.

The Christian student should be philanthropic. "For their sakes I concentrate myself." Lets us give the last that is in us, for know ye not, that to give is better than to receive. Let us give of the best that is in us to fellow students.—Chas. Garvin.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY**

- Prayer Meeting, Clark Hall, 7 a. m.
- Bible Classes, Main Building, 9 a. m.
- Y. M. C. A., Library Hall, 3 p. m.
- Vespers, Rankin Chapel, 4:30 p. m.
- Y. W. C. A., Miner Hall, 6 p. m.

**MONDAY**

- Athletic Association, Main Building, 8:00 p. m.

**TUESDAY**

- Prayer Meeting, Library Hall, 6:30 p. m.

**FRIDAY**

- Pestalozzi Froebel, Main Building, 3 p. m.
- Alpha Phi, Library Hall, 8 p. m.
- Eureka Society, Main Building 8 p. m.

**SATURDAY**

- Kappa Sigma Debating Club, Library Hall, 8:15.

Regular Chapel exercises daily except Saturday and Sunday at 12 m

**SPECIAL TRAIN TO LINCOLN**

A special train has been arranged for by Messrs. Charles Garvin and Whittington Bruce to Lincoln University on Thanksgiving day to witness the Howard-Lincoln foot ball game. The special train and special rate can only be obtained for a hundred or more.

For particulars apply to Chas. Garvin at the University Book store or to "Whit" Bruce at Medical School.

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Friday, November 11, 1910

### EDITORIALS

¶ We are glad to learn that the white students in the South are interested in the Negro. It is up to the Howard University students to keep them interested.

¶ Mr. Bryce, our latest acquisition to the foot ball squad, fills up a very big gap in our team. He comes to us from Annapolis High School where he made quite a good record as a quarter-back and punter.

¶ Vending machines are becoming quite popular throughout this country and also in foreign lands.

Drinking cups, postage stamps, chewing gum, and powdered chamois may be had by dropping a coin in the slot. You need not be a vending machine but, while you are here, so train your mind that you can put a thought into the slot, push the strong, brawny lever and get the finished product.

¶ It is indeed gratifying to note that the girls have organized a Women's Athletic Association. The girls have a strong and efficient corps of officers and we see no reason why they should not enjoy a successful season. We are sure they will have the strong support of the young men of the University. For the past two or three years athletics for girls at Howard have been a farce, but this year the girls are going to rally and contribute their share to the athletic glory of Howard University. If the Association can secure some means by which the girls can get regular exercise it will have performed a vital function.

¶ In order to stimulate a more active interest in the JOURNAL, the staff offers to the class, society or club that turns over to us the greatest number of cash subscriptions, over 50, on or before December, fifteenth 1910, a beautiful class banner eight feet square, with background, class and numerals in such colors as they prefer. To the individual who returns to us the highest number of subscriptions above 25 will receive five dollars in gold. The subscriptions must be for one year, or the same offer will hold good in the organization or the individual reports 75 or 35 half year subscriptions respectively.

¶ It has been said—and truly said—that “the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil.” It is not the love of money but the need of money that forces us to urge more of our student body to respond to our call for subscribers. You cannot afford to pass this

matter over lightly. This paper is sent all over this country weekly and what goes into it everybody sees. We do not want the public to get the impression that the students of this great University can not or will not support their official, University organ. A man who will not sacrifice a little something to pay his subscription to the JOURNAL can scarcely be called a loyal Howard man. This school is making a great impression upon the world and must continue to do so, but we must not be satisfied with externals; we must be loyal, true and faithful through and through; we must be like the pure gold and not like Shakespeare's apple which was good and beautiful on its outward part but rotten at the heart.

### HOWARD AT SHAW

Howard plays her first big game on Friday November 11, at Raleigh, N. C. Shaw was defeated by Howard last year. The big teams line up this week for their first big game of the season. The strength of the teams has not been tested but all the teams are supposed to be about evenly matched.

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(To the Tune of Onward Christian Soldiers)

## I.

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With the help of Marshall  
Battling as before  
Gene the worthy Captain,  
Leads against the foe,  
Forward into battle,  
See the Champions go!

## Chorus

Onward Howard soldiers!  
Marching as to war,  
With the cry of honor,  
Going on before.

## II.

At the sign of triumph  
Lincoln's men will flee  
On then Howard warriors,  
On to victory!  
Shaw's foundations quiver,  
At the shouts and praise!  
Rooters lift your voices,  
Loud with anthems raise.

## III.

See the mighty champions  
In their old time stride,  
Watch them they are treading  
Where old Shaw has tried,  
They are not divided,  
All one body they,  
One in joy and friendship  
One for victory.

## IV.

Knockers may they perish,  
Their shouts rise then wane,  
But the loyal rooters,  
Constant will remain,  
All the knocks can never,  
'Gainst our club prevail,  
We have Gray's own promise,  
And he will not fail.

## V.

Onward then, ye rooters!  
Join our happy throng,  
Blend with ours your voices,  
In the triumph song,  
Praises, laud and honors,  
Unto Moore the King,  
This our pennant winner,  
Everybody sing.

—S. D. McCree, Law, '11.

"Ye olde Committee" of the  
Senior Class has at last met its  
doom.

**1910 VARSITY READY**

The biting winds and heavy frosts greet the white and blue squad every morning when Coach Marshall rushes it out. Signal work and scrimmages are working the men into form. Capt. Moore, Varsity '07 is back in center. The line is as heavy as any in the game while the back field is the same old invincible trio, Allen, Terry, Gray. The position of quarter-back has been much strengthened by the addition of Brice, the little boy from Annapolis. His punting kept Howard's score down in the game. Nixon will work in quarter and back field. "Tabby" Howard has developed so well that he has strengthened the back field considerably. Tyson, Slaughter, Stratton, and Hunt are battling for ends. Durrhah, Bell, Butler, and Beamon in tackle; Wiggins, Smith, Clellan and Carter in guard; Thomas sub-center, with N. Johnson, Sample, Gordon, Hodge, Coppage and Johnson on the list make a promising squad. Coach Marshall is working hard and the manager is exerting every effort to equip and support the team for efficient work.

**COMMERCIAL EDUCATION FOR THE NEGRO**

By Walter Dyson, Instructor in  
History and Economics

While every Negro regrets profoundly the reported failure of the True Reformers Sick and Death Benefit Association, which for many years has operated in all parts of the United States, still we should not be surprised. It is but another indication of the need of Commercial Education for the Negro.

The following will show that this need is felt in every part of the United States.

Mr. Walter Dyson,  
Howard University,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—

We have no classes in com-

mercial course. I think that boys and girls of the city should have an opportunity to take such work because the colored people have considerable business interest in the city and need more trained men and women to conduct them.

Very Truly,

S. D. Turner, Prin.

Richmond Public Schools, Richmond, Va.

My Dear Mr. Dyson:—

I have often thought a good commercial course would be of great advantage to all our students but the trouble has been to find a place for it.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Wright, Dean

Fisk University,

Nashville, Tenn.

My Dear Mr. Dyson:—

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I have no doubt that such a course would be of great value. We have often had students apply for instruction in shorthand. For financial reasons we cannot at present make provisions for it.

I should say that there was an increase in need for work of this sort as an increasing number of the colored people are developing business enterprises which require an understanding of commercial matters and the assistance of secretaries who have had the opportunities of a commercial course.

Sincerely yours,

Edward T. Ware, President  
Atlanta University, Atlanta,  
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My Dear Mr. Dyson:—

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**BIBLE CLASSES AT WORK**

The Bible Classes organized as a result of the recent Institute here are rapidly getting under way. More than one hundred men are now engaged in active Bible study and there are still more classes to be organized. Secretary Marchant is working on these and hopes to provide classes for all those who have signified their intention of taking up this work.

The classes now organized include: "Men of the old Testament" taught by Messrs. Forbes and Washington; "Outlines of Biblical Facts and History" by Messrs. Gregory and Marshall; "Life of Christ" by Prof. Brawley; "Life of Paul" by Mr. Polard.

One of the most interesting classes to be organized is the Teacher's Training class, Dr. E. L. Parks, instructor. It will be composed of teachers of the various classes and others who may care to join. The subject will be the "Life of Christ," taking the life of the great teacher as a model and studying his principles and methods.

Dr. Chas. E. Giles, Med. '07, who has been dangerously ill for the past week at Atlantic City, is reported somewhat better, and as soon as the doctors permit, will be taken to his home in Evansville, Indiana, where he will, upon recovery, begin his practice.

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By Prof. Kelly Miller, Howard University, Washington, D. C.

"The most remarkable article in the Nineteenth Century this month is that on 'The American Negro as a Political Factor.' It is written by Prof. Kelly Miller, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, of Howard University, Washington. It is the most intrepid, thorough-going defence of the political capacity of the Negro that I have yet seen. Prof. Miller's fervid plea for the African ought to produce the same impression upon the educated men as Johnson's victory at Reno produced on the mean whites everywhere. Give the Negro a fair chance and he may be able to hold his own with the best of us."—*London Review of Reviews*, W. T. Stead, Editor.

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